

HOUSE BILL 156

By Whitson

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-14-411, relative to vandalism.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-14-411, is amended by adding the following language as new, appropriately designated subsections:

() It is an offense for any unauthorized person, group, company, or organization to knowingly injure, remove, destroy, break down, or otherwise interrupt or interfere with a pipeline, pumping station, terminal, equipment, or facility, whether in operation, idle, or under construction, that transports, stores, pumps, or distributes crude or refined liquid petroleum products or natural gas.

() It is an offense for a person, group, company, or other organization to cause, aid, or coerce another person, group, company, or organization to engage in the conduct described in this section.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2019, the public welfare requiring it.